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## MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b) is the nonprovisional patent application

For (Title):

ACOUSTIC MODEL CREATING METHOD, SPEECH RECOGNITION APPARATUS,

AND VEHICLE HAVING THE SPEECH RECOGNITION APPARATUS

By (Inventors):

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Formal drawings (Figs. 1-16; 16 sheets) are attached.

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|             | A Declaration and Power of Attorney is filed herewith.  |
|             | This application claims benefit of Provisional Application No filed   |
|             | (A Preliminary Amendment is attached to reflect this claim in the Specification if not already present.)                |
| $\boxtimes$ | This patent application is assigned to <u>SEIKO EPSON CORPORATION</u> .   |
|             | ☐ The executed Assignment is filed herewith.  |
| $\boxtimes$ | An Information Disclosure Statement is filed herewith.  |
|             | Entitlement to small entity status is hereby asserted.  |
|             | A Preliminary Amendment is filed herewith.  |
| $\boxtimes$ | Priority of foreign applications No. 2002-318627 filed October 31, 2002 in JAPAN and No. 2003-198707 filed              |
|             | <u>July 17, 2003</u> in <u>JAPAN</u> are claimed (35 U.S.C. §119).  |
|             | A certified copy of the above corresponding foreign applications are filed herewith.                                    |
|             | This application is NOT to be published under 35 U.S.C. 112(b). The undersigned attorney or agent hereby certifies that |
|             | the invention disclosed in this application has not been and will not be the subject of an application filed in another |
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| ☐ MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS PRESENTED |           |               |  |  |

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| RATE                         | FEE    |  |  |  |
| 70.0                         | \$ 385 |  |  |  |
| x 9=                         | \$     |  |  |  |
| x 43 =                       | \$     |  |  |  |
| + 145 =                      | \$     |  |  |  |
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| RATE  | FEE      |
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|       | \$ - 770 |
| x 18  | \$       |
| x 86  | \$ .     |
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| TOTAL | \$ 770   |

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